



MEGA REGULATION PHASE 1

HEALTH ELIGIBILITY CENTER (HEC)

USER MANUAL

Patch IVMB*2*614

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Introduction

Background

Public Law 104-262, *The Veterans' Health Care Eligibility Reform Act of 1996*, required the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) to establish a patient enrollment system in October 1998. The enrollment system collects applications, determines eligibility, and then determines the enrollment of each applicant based upon criteria set forth by law. On October 6, 1999, the rules and regulations were amended and published in the Federal Register. This amendment, "Enrollment--Provision of Hospital and Outpatient Care, 38 CFR Part 17, RIN 2900-AJ18," included several changes. Of note to this request were changes to the enrollment priority groupings. It defined seven priority groupings and two sub-categories for prioritizing veterans for enrollment in the VA health care system. The national enrollment system now supports the priority groupings and sub-categories as delineated in the October 1999 regulation.

A request to modify the National Enrollment System to support impending regulatory changes was received from the VHA Health Administrative Services (HAS). This request amends rules for calculating a veteran's enrollment priority grouping and sub-category, if applicable. Specifically, three of the seven enrollment priority groups will be modified by further differentiating them into sub-categories. In addition, rules to convert some Priority Group 5 veterans to a Priority Group of 7, or to not enroll in some cases, are to be implemented. This "Proposed Rule, Enrollment – Provision of Hospital and Outpatient Care to Veterans – Priority Categories 5, 6, and 7, 38 CFR Part 17, RIN 2900-AK92," is intended to "provide an equitable system for further prioritizing the enrollment of veterans in these priority categories."

Patch IVMB*2*614 is phase one of a proposed three-phased approach to managing the enrollment of veterans based on their priority in relation to a mandated Enrollment Group Threshold (EGT).

Purpose

MEGA Regulation Phase 1 Patch IVMB*2*614 will:

- Make modifications to EGT functionality to ensure that EGT Type 2, STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS DURING CYCLE, allows new enrollments to be stopped *at or below* the threshold.
- Add a new Enrollment status, REJECTED; BELOW ENROLLMENT GROUP THRESHOLD. This status will be assigned during the EGT background job to records that have a sub-priority below the EGT setting when the EGT setting type is '2' – STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS DURING CYCLE.
- Add additional sub-categorization to the enrollment Priority Group of 7 and provide all related functional enhancements required to support this re-categorization.
- Activate the 623A letter and ensure its appropriate generation.
- Modify reports, options and HL7 transmissions to accommodate the new sub-categories.
- Provide a supervisory override function to allow a DCD supervisor to remove a REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS status from an enrollment record when others of the same priority are eligible for enrollment.

Related Manuals

In addition to this User Manual, a Technical Manual will be released with the MEGA Regulation Phase 1 software.

You can download the MEGA Regulation Phase 1 documentation as follows:

From the Anonymous Directory:

1. Go to the anonymous.software directory.
2. Ftp the files listed in the following table. Remember to use binary format.

File Name	Documentation Component
IVMB_2_P614_UM.pdf	MEGA Regulation Phase 1 User Manual
IVMB_2_P614_TM.pdf	MEGA Regulation Phase 1 Technical Manual

From the Project Notebook Web Page

<http://tspr.vista.med.va.gov/warboard/anotebk.asp?proj=573>.

Using the Software

EGT Supervisor Override

Before you start, please note:

- ❖ You must have the DCD Supervisor security key to use this option!

This menu option will be placed on the DCD SUPERVISOR menu. It is a supervisor override option that enables the correction of records assigned an enrollment status of REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS in error. It is to be used in situations where the DCD Supervisor feels that the veteran should have been considered continuously enrolled and should, therefore, not have been assigned a REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS enrollment status.

From the DCD Supervisor Menu Option, choose the EGT Supervisor Override option. When prompted, enter the patient's master ID or name and press the <ENTER> key. A screen will display showing the current enrollment status for the patient selected, and you will be prompted to confirm that you wish to continue with the override. Once you confirm the override by entering 'YES' at the prompt, a new screen will display with the changed Enrollment Status, Enrollment Category, Enrollment Priority and Enrollment Priority Sub-Group.

Select OPTION NAME: **DCD SUPERVISOR** IVMD SUPERVISOR DCD Supervisor

DCD Contact Representative Menu ...
EGT Supervisor Override
Monitor Print Jobs ...
Program Support Clerk ...
Reassign All New Assigned Cases for CR
VA FileMan ...
VIVA Master Menu ...

Select DCD Supervisor Option: **EGT Supervisor Override**

Select IVM MASTER CLIENT MASTER ID: **432168093** MORGAN, FREDRICA

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE: NOV 01, 2001 VETERAN: 432168093
SOURCE OF ENROLLMENT: HEC
ENROLLMENT STATUS: REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS
ENROLLMENT CATEGORY: 2 EGT SETTING: 7c
ENROLLMENT PRIORITY: 7d ENROLLMENT PRIORITY SUB-GROUP: d
ENROLLMENT APPLICATION DATE: OCT 31, 2001
PRIOR ENROLLMENT RECORD: OCT 31, 2001 ELIGIBILITY CODE: NSC
SERVICE CONNECTED?: NO POW STATUS INDICATED: NO
RECEIVING A&A BENEFITS: NO RECEIVING HOUSEBOUND BENEFITS: NO
RECEIVING A VA PENSION: NO MEANS TEST STATUS: CATEGORY C
DATE/TIME RECEIVED: NOV 01, 2001@10:57:18
PREFERRED FACILITY: 500 SSN: 432168093
ENROLLMENT END DATE: OCT 31, 2001 MEANS TEST DATE: OCT 31, 2001

OK TO OVERRIDE? NO// **YES**

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE: NOV 01, 2001 VETERAN: 432168093
 SOURCE OF ENROLLMENT: HEC ENROLLMENT STATUS: VERIFIED
 ENROLLMENT CATEGORY: 1 EGT SETTING: 7c
 ENROLLMENT PRIORITY: 7c ENROLLMENT PRIORITY SUB-GROUP: c
 ENROLLMENT APPLICATION DATE: OCT 31, 2001
 PRIOR ENROLLMENT RECORD: NOV 01, 2001 ELIGIBILITY CODE: NSC
 SERVICE CONNECTED?: NO POW STATUS INDICATED: NO
 RECEIVING A&A BENEFITS: NO RECEIVING HOUSEBOUND BENEFITS: NO
 RECEIVING A VA PENSION: NO MEANS TEST STATUS: CATEGORY C
 DATE/TIME RECEIVED: NOV 01, 2001@11:05:09
 PREFERRED FACILITY: 500 SSN: 432168093
 ENROLLMENT DATE: OCT 31, 2001 MEANS TEST DATE: OCT 31, 2001

If you enter the ID/name of a patient who is currently in an enrollment status other than REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS, the override will not be allowed and you will receive a message stating "Enrollment status is not 'REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS', cannot override!".

Select DCD Supervisor Option: **EGT Supervisor Override**
 Select IVM MASTER CLIENT MASTER ID: **432168097** MARKLE, G.H.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE: JUL 09, 1999 VETERAN: 432168097
 SOURCE OF ENROLLMENT: VAMC ENROLLMENT STATUS: DECEASED
 ENROLLMENT CATEGORY: 2 FACILITY RECEIVED: 598
 ENROLLMENT PRIORITY: 5
 ENROLLMENT APPLICATION DATE: AUG 12, 1998
 PRIOR ENROLLMENT RECORD: JUL 09, 1999 ELIGIBILITY CODE: NSC, VA PENSION
 SERVICE CONNECTED?: NO POW STATUS INDICATED: NO
 RECEIVING A&A BENEFITS: NO RECEIVING HOUSEBOUND BENEFITS: NO
 RECEIVING A VA PENSION: YES TOTAL ANNUAL VA CHECK AMOUNT: 924
 MEDICAID: NO EXPOSED TO AGENT ORANGE: NO
 RADIATION EXPOSURE INDICATED: NO ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINANTS: NO
 DATE/TIME RECEIVED: JUL 16, 1999@02:40:22
 PREFERRED FACILITY: 564 SSN: 432168097

Enrollment status is not 'REJECTED; STOP NEW ENROLLMENTS', cannot override!

Glossary

Acronym	Description
EGT	Enrollment Group Threshold
VA	Veterans Affairs
VHA	Veterans Health Administration
HAS	Health Administrative Services

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